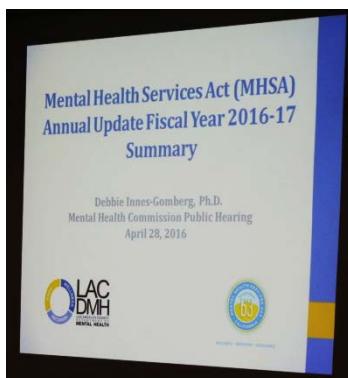


LA County Mental Health Commission Hosts Public Hearing



On Thursday, April 28th, more than 150 people attended the Los Angeles County Mental Health Commission's public hearing at St. Anne's auditorium in Los Angeles. The hearing informed the community on the latest developments regarding the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). MHSA was passed by California's voters in 2004.

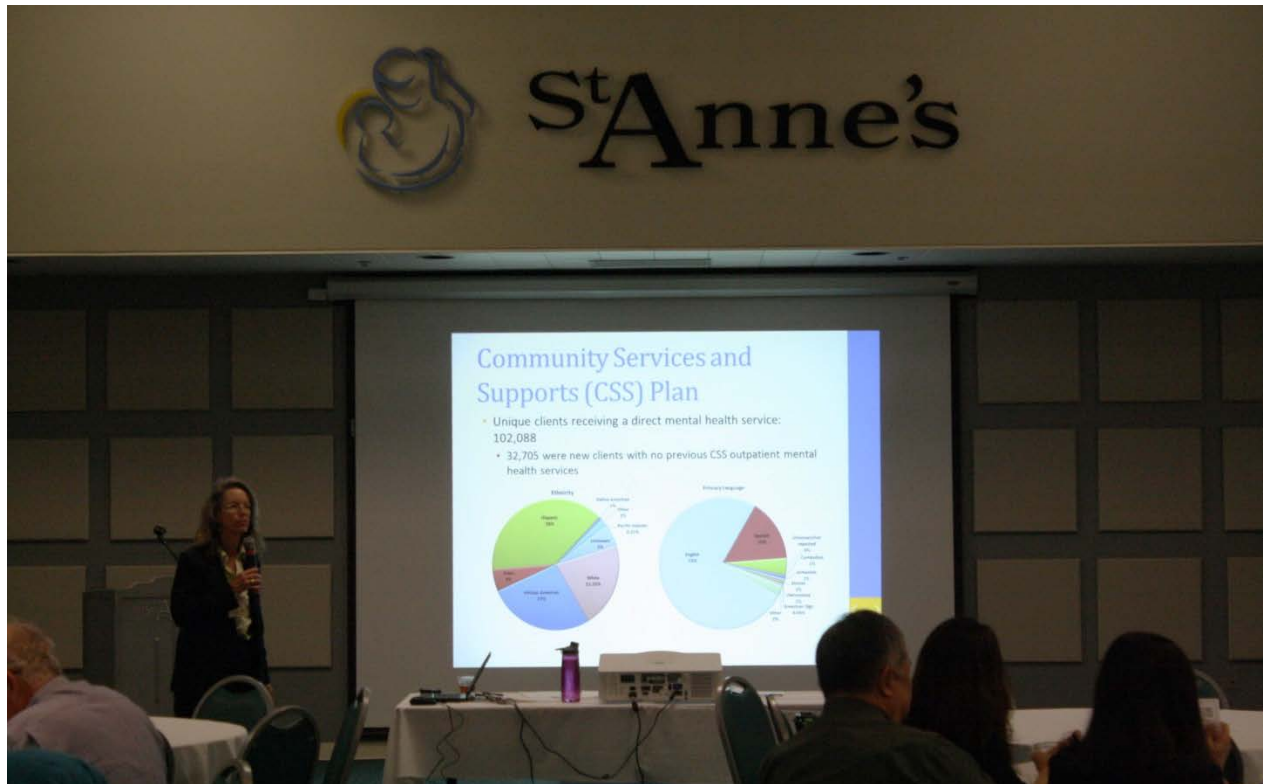
At the hearing, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) not only provided an annual update on MHSA but also gave an open forum for public comment on the current progress of work plans and implementation efforts. Information and data was presented from fiscal year 2014-2015. Funding for the upcoming fiscal year 2016-2017 was also discussed.



The MHSA stipulates that California counties prepare and submit a three-year expenditure plan with annual updates. The plan must be approved by the LA County Mental Health Commission and adopted by the LA County Board of Supervisors.

Among the topics covered in this year's hearing were: Outcomes, Fiscal 2014-2015; Community Service and Supports (CSS), Wellness and Client Run Centers, IMD Step-

down facilities, Family Support Services, Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI), Innovations (INN) Peer Run Model, Full Service Partnerships (FSP) and Alternative Crisis Services; Urgent Care Centers, Workforce Education and Training (WET) and Capital Facilities and Information Technology Needs.



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